



Dr. Howard H. Hiatt Physician-in-Chief; First Blumgart Professor of Medicine

Start Major Construction Phase—Rabb Building; OPD-EW Renovation Slated

The familiar blue and white Emergency Entrance sign was covered, new directional signs were posted, construction trailers and equipment moved to the lawns in front of the Hospital and a large crane and shovel started digging near the main driveway.

Inside the Hospital, in the basement of the Outpatient Building, clinics were shifted to floors above and workmen began to demolish ceilings and wall partitions.

Beginning Moves

These events marked the start of Phase Eight, a major element in the Hospital's \$7,500,000 Development Program.

A temporary entrance to the Emergency Unit was opened in the main courtyard and excavation for the Rabb Building began in the rear of the Hospital. At the same time renovation of the Outpatient

Building was begun.

Preliminarily, partitions had been constructed on the second floor of OPD to accommodate the Well Baby, Children's Medical, Orthopedic and Arthritic Clinics in the Eye, Ear, Nose & Throat Clinic area. The Allergy, Renal and Endocrine Clinics moved to the first floor. Offices of the Women's Auxiliary were relocated to the Dietetic Interns residence at 22 Carlton Street in Brook-

line, and all OPD medical records went to the former Auxiliary office on the first floor of the North Building.

To compensate for lost parking spaces in the areas where excavation is going on, car pools are being organized by the Personnel Division.

Patient Care

"Maintaining smooth day-to-day operations, high standards of patient care and service to the community during these moves will only be possible with

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Teamwork Aids Effort In Drive for Quiet B. I.

"Helpful cooperation by staff and employees has brought much progress in the continuing Campaign for a Quieter Beth Israel," according to Louis Stein, Director of Public Relations.

The drive will enter another major phase shortly, Mr. Stein said, when a new system of visitor passes goes into effect. Now at work planning the details of the system is a committee on Visitor Control, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Norman L. Cahners.

Committee Members

Other members of the Committee include Mr. Stein; Silas M. Wass, Director, House Services Division; Miss Theodora M. Jay, Director, Personnel Division; Miss Kalla Freiberg, Head of the Information Dept.; Mrs. Phyllis Sugarman, Head of Volunteer Services; Paul Sonnabend, Chairman, Public Relations Committee; Mitchell Marcus, member of the Young Executives Group; and Dr. Sidney S. Lee, General Director.

Many measures have

been instituted since the campaign started. An important move has been establishment of a schedule for enforcement of visiting regulations with administrative personnel and Division Directors taking rotating responsibility for daily Qu'et Rounds.

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Rename North Building In Honor Of Mortimer C. and Florence L. Gryzmish

In appreciation for their many benefactions to Beth Israel, the present North Building will be dedicated to a family known throughout the community for its philanthropic endeavors, according to Dr. Sidney S. Lee, General Director.

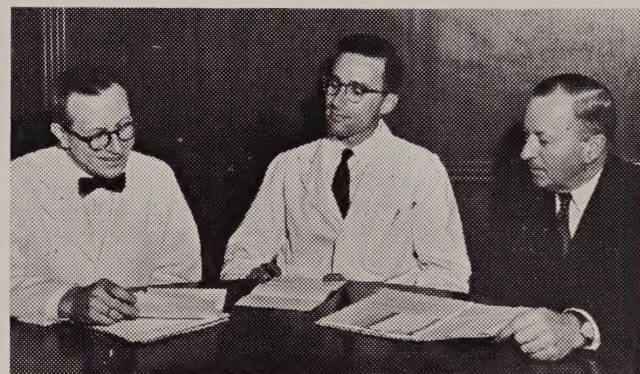
The 180-bed unit will be named The Mortimer C. and Florence L. Gryzmish Building at ceremonies scheduled for May 5.

Contributions

The Gryzmishes were prominently identified with the building of the Hospital in 1928 and the dedication of a floor of the building that will now bear their

Dr. Howard H. Hiatt has been chosen as the first Herrman Ludwig Blumgart Professor of Medicine at the Harvard Medical School and new Physician-in-Chief at Beth Israel Hospital.

The announcement was made jointly by Dr. George Packer Berry, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at Harvard and Dr. Sidney S. Lee, General Director of Beth Israel. Dr. Hiatt succeeds Dr. Herrman L. Blumgart, and Dr. Benjamin Alexander, Acting Physician-in-Chief.



Discussing plans with B. I.'s new Physician-in-Chief Dr. Howard H. Hiatt (center) are Dr. Sidney S. Lee, General Director (left) and Isidor Slotnik, Hospital President.

In assuming the Blumgart Chair, Dr. Hiatt becomes one of the few to hold such a post during the lifetime of the physician for whom it was named. The Chair was established through contributions of colleagues, Hospital trustees and friends of Dr. Blumgart, who retired last year.

"Since my selection as

Dr. Herrman L. Blumgart's successor, I have experienced a variety of emotions. Unquestionably, none has been so great as that which stems from an awareness of the enormity of our responsibilities to our patients and to the men who come to us for their training," Dr. Hiatt said.

Bright Future

"The responsibilities have been discharged brilliantly in the past, in large part due to the selfless efforts of Dr. Blumgart and that large group of physicians who spend all or part of their working hours in our Hospital. The knowledge that Dr. Benjamin Alexander, Dr. A. Stone Freedberg, and so many other distinguished men will continue to devote themselves to our common objective helps to make the future a bright one indeed.

"I believe that the next several years will see great advances in our understanding and management of a large variety of diseases. To participate in these advances would be exciting under any circumstances; to do so in part-

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"Give Till It Helps" Say CJP Chairmen

The 1963 Campaign for the Combined Jewish Philanthropies was launched at the Hospital on March 18th.

The Co-chairmen, Mrs. Shalmir Chatfield and Mrs. Fern Berman, are urging Department Chairmen to have all contributions in soon.

"The success of the drive depends on the response of every employee in the Hospital," said Dr. Sidney S. Lee. He urged that the Co-chairmen be given all the cooperation possible so that we will once again "go over the top."

Reunion Date June 8 For Medical Alumni

A Reunion of the Medical Alumni Association will be held on Saturday, June 8, according to Dr. Henry A. Kontoff, President of the Association and General Chairman of the Reunion Planning Committee. Dr. Kontoff is a retired member of the Staff in Urology.

"An outstanding program is being planned for the all-day gathering," Dr. Kontoff said. A scientific program and business meeting will be features of the morning session. During this part of the day social activities are scheduled for wives of doctors who attend.

After luncheon, Open House will be held at the Hospital. The group will gather in the evening for a dinner dance at the Somerset Hotel.

Harvard Chorus

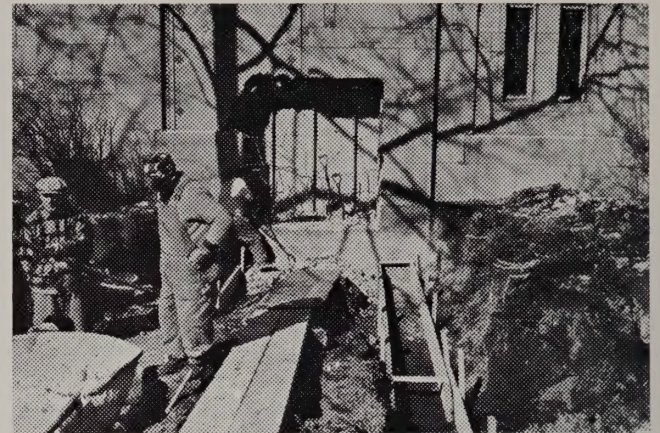
The Harvard Medical Chorus extends a cordial invitation to its Fifth Annual Spring Concert. It will be held on Sunday, April 28 at 8:30 P.M. at the Loeb Drama Center on Brattle Street in Cambridge.

Behind-the-Scenes Activity Smooths Building Progress

(Cont. from page 1, col. 3) the wholehearted help and cooperation of staff, volunteers and employees at all levels," said Dr. Sidney S. Lee, General Director.

He pointed out that relocation and consolidation of facilities will affect other areas as construction continues, with each change signalling a forward step toward completion of the long planned expansion of Beth Israel.

In revealing details of the work now underway, Dr. Lee commended those carrying the burden of scheduling activity. Prior



Men at work on Temporary Emergency Entrance.

to each change there have been almost daily co-ordinating conferences between the Administrative Planning office under Jerome R. Sapolsky, Director, and these groups:

Ambulatory Services: Dr. James J. Feeney, Director; Miss Dorothy Bernfein, Nursing Supervisor; and Mrs. Josephine Sweeney and Mrs. Rebecca Weber.

House Services: Silas M. Wass, Director; Vincent F. Gardner, Head of Maintenance; Francis Sullivan, Asst. Administrative Engineer, Maintenance; John Cusack, Maintenance; Richard L. Zaunere, Head of Housekeeping; Edward J. Hanley, Assistant Executive Housekeeper; Mrs. Dorothy Richmond, Head of Medical Records.

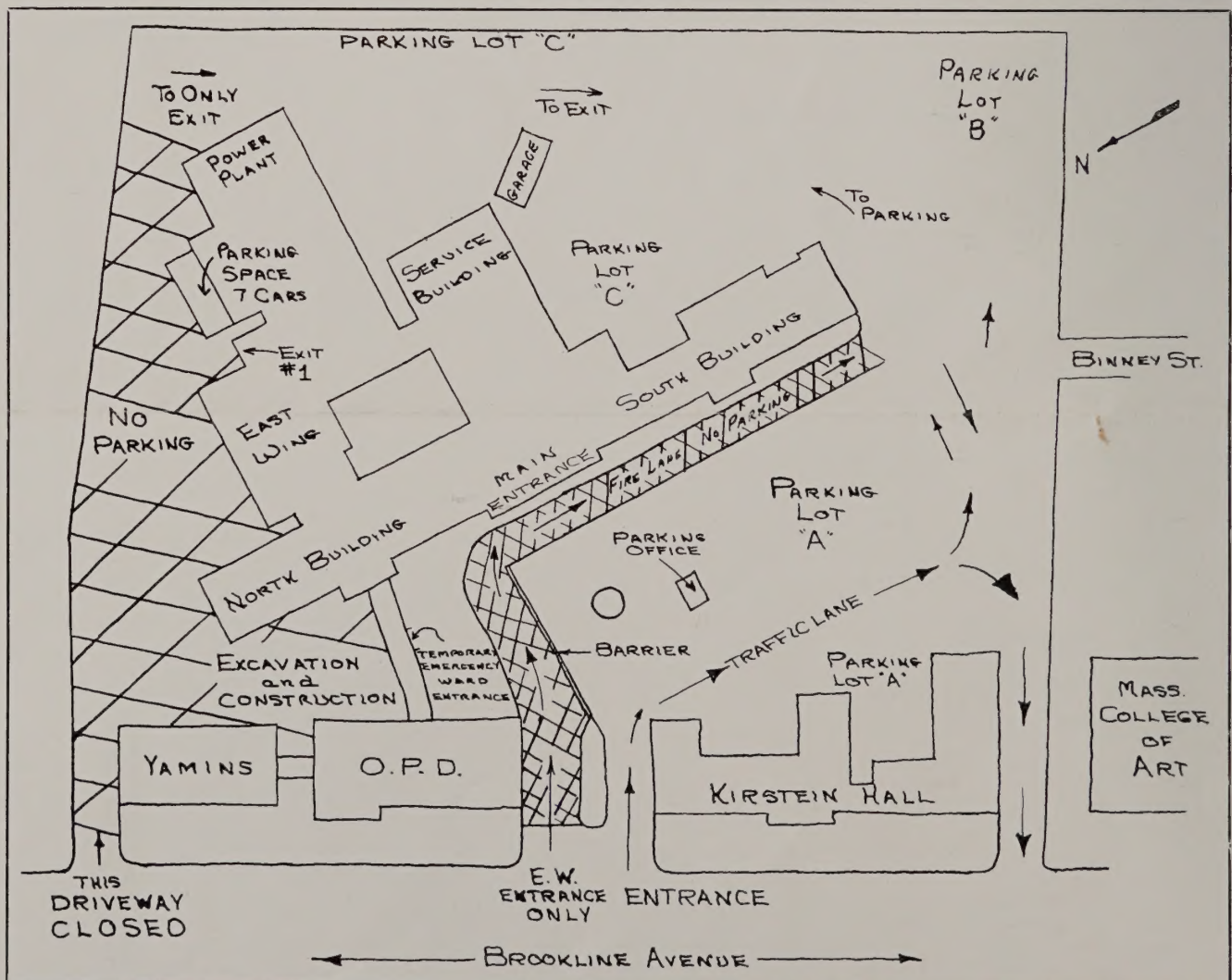
Quiet Campaign Efforts Involve All Key Groups New Committee To Set Up Visitor Pass System

(Cont. from page 1, col. 3) Other accomplishments in effect include:

- ...reduction of lobby congestion by transfer of the doctors phone and relocation of the public phones to booths near the Dietitians Library
 - ...elimination of noise in stairwells of the first floor of the South Building by relocation of the time clock to the basement
 - ...softening of bells on telephones in patient rooms, nursing stations and at the Information Desk
 - ...stepping up of preventive maintenance on all rolling equipment and replacement of worn out casters, wheels and tires; introduction of 15 new and quieter housekeeping carts for use throughout the Hospital
 - ...making radios with pillow speakers available to patients and adding sound governors to TV sets in solaria and in waiting rooms.
- In addition, meetings have been held with key

groups to determine how areas. A large sign in the operating units could Lobby informs visitors of achieve the goals of the the value to patients of a drive. Posters emphasizing quiet visit and employees the need for quiet have at all levels have been in-structed in work methods rooms, in corridors and that reduce unnecessary elevators and employee noise.

NEW TRAFFIC AND PARKING PATTERNS AT BETH ISRAEL



To ease parking as much as possible, please observe these areas in the lot: Area A is for the public, Chiefs of Service and Visiting Physicians. Area B is for full time Staff and personnel; Area C for House Officers and personnel.

In Memoriam

Beth Israel Hospital mourns the deaths of three visiting physicians and an employee and extends deepest sympathies to their families:

Dr. Albert H. Williams, Associate in Otolaryngology — March 8, 1963.

Dr. Harry Fein, Associate Member in Otolaryngology — February 1, 1963.

Dr. Harold I. Shulman, Associate Member in Pediatrics — December, 1962.

R. A. (John) Kalvaitis, Dietary Department — March 5, 1963.

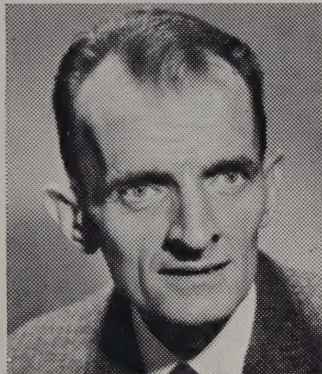
meet the FAMILY

Do-It-Yourselfer Also Knows How To Help Others

Quiet, unassuming and modest, Ed Henry has the enviable faculty of imparting an aura of calm assurance in the most trying of situations.

Mr. Henry has worked in Patient Accounts for the past four years and is concerned primarily with assisting patients to meet the costs of their medical care obligation as effectively as possible.

"I wouldn't change positions with anyone," says Ed, "because I have the opportunity to work with so many different people on such a variety of problems. But the greatest satisfaction comes from being able to help people directly from funds that have been contributed for that purpose."



Edward Henry

Besides all the patients Mr. Henry sees, there are innumerable people in the Hospital itself — doctors, nurses, laboratory personnel and many others — who help the department in reaching decisions. "My public relations had better be good," quips Ed, "or I couldn't function at all."

When new housing was going up in his hometown, Ed watched the builders and then decided he could do it himself. The result was two new rooms in the attic and a pine-panelled basement. The housing developments also spurred Ed to run for office, and for two consecutive terms he was elected to the Planning Board in Plainville.

Ed is looking forward to those balmy summer days now when he will treat his two daughters (Nancy, 16, and Michelle, 8) to a new 25 H.P. speed boat motor for their water skiing activities. "My wife hasn't tried the skis yet," says Ed, "but, who knows, she may this year. As for myself, I prefer fishing."



Mrs. Emma Procter

Gleaming Glass Emma Procter's Hallmark in Lab

"I just love my work," says Emma Procter, "though some people can't understand why."

Full of enthusiasm and love of life, Emma explains that washing and sterilizing glassware may seem trivial to some but "to me it's a pleasure."

Back in 1914, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Procter and their two sons, John, 6, and Allan, 3, arrived in New Bedford from Yorkshire, England. When Mr. Procter passed away and the boys had grown and gone off to work, Emma came up to Boston for her first job at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital. The year was 1937. "My son John is an Administrative Engineer in the Miners' Memorial Hospital in Harlan, Kentucky now and Allan is Supervisor of Recruiting in Essex County for the U.S. Army. You can see that I have a great deal to be proud of," says Emma.

When Emma first came to Beth Israel, she had responsibility for the House Staff quarters. When her chores there were done, she would go off to Dr. Benjamin Alexander's lab to "do a bit there." But Emma always favored the labs and when the Yamins Building was completed in 1949, she went to work there on a full-time basis.

In 1958, Emma was persuaded by her friends and family to give up working. "I stood it for two years," says the good Mrs. Procter, "and then I up and went back to work. I guess when my time is up they'll carry me out of the laboratory. That's the way it should be — it's work that keeps me going and I love it."

Pathology and Laboratory Service Pave Way To Better Patient Care

Part One

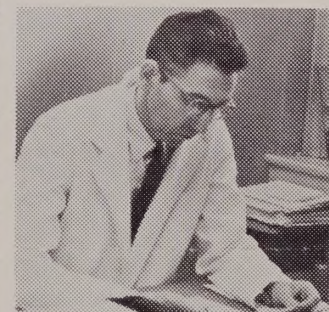
While the pathologist is not usually in direct contact with those who are ill, much of what is accomplished during the course of clinical treatment or hospitalization depends on the results of examinations and tests done by the Pathology and Laboratory Service.

For this major clinical service is concerned with the essential nature of bodily ills — the structural and functional changes in tissues and organs which cause or are caused by disease.

Varied Staff

At Beth Israel, the Service employs more clinical and technical personnel than any but the Nursing Division. Some 71 full and part time technicians, photographers, nurses, administrative staff and helpers work beneath its umbrella and each is involved in direct service to patients. In addition, nine secretaries and office workers process the more than 350,000 reports that move each year from the Laboratories to patient and other hospital records.

Headed by Dr. David G. Freiman, Pathologist-in-Chief and Director of Lab-



Dr. David G. Freiman

oratories, it plays an important role in the Hospital's teaching programs and, by the very nature of its work, contributes much to knowledge of disease and to research.

Characterized by Dr. Freiman as a "widespread domain", the Service consists of nine semi-autonomous units. Housed in more than 12,000 square feet of space, it reaches out from the basement to the third floor of the North Building and into the fourth floor of the East Wing.

The staff includes five full-time pathologists, and eight residents and research fellows under the direct supervision of Dr.

Si-Chun Ming, the Associate Pathologist.

In addition, the Blood Bank and Transfusion Unit is under the direction of Dr. Mark F. Lesses, the Cardiography Unit is under Dr. Louis Wolff, and the Electroencephalography Unit under Dr. Mary Scholl.

Closely associated with the Tissue Laboratory is the Cytology Laboratory where three technicians examine almost 5000 smears for cancer cells each year.

Another important function of Pathology is anatomical study. Post mortem examinations yield a great deal of data on the nature



Pathology Service Unit heads (from left to right) Paul Showstark, Dr. L. H. Geronimus, Mrs. Hilde Rosbash, Murray Golub, Dr. Mary Scholl, Dr. Si-Chun Ming, Dr. Louis Wolff, Dr. Mark Lesses.

Other staff members include Dr. Lippman H. Geronimus, who is in charge of the Bacteriology Laboratory; Biochemist Murray Golub, who supervises the Chemistry and Clinical Laboratories; Mrs. Hilde Rosbash, in charge of Cytology; and Paul Showstark, in charge of the Photography Unit.

About 5500 surgical specimens are examined each year and about 250 autopsies and 277,000 clinical laboratory procedures are performed annually.

Quick Reports

"Most people think of tissue study when they think of Pathology," says Dr. Freiman. The Service has several essential tasks in this area. Specimens of all tissue removed during surgical procedures are sent to the Tissue Laboratory each day for examination, description and diagnosis. Within 24 to 36 hours a report is completed and on its way to the patient's record.

Several times each day operating surgeons may wish an immediate report. A pathologist goes to the operating room, makes a quick slide in a nearby laboratory and in a few minutes reports on the exact nature of the disease. For example, a suspected tumor may prove to be a simple cyst or a cancer. In either case, consultation with the pathologist has helped the patient by arming the surgeon with exact knowledge at a time when immediate decision is essential.

of disease and on the effectiveness of treatment. Records of these studies are always available and permit constant correlation of what is known about a patient's disease history and the actual changes that took place in the course of illness.

"Much of the current body of information which opened the way to our knowledge of heart disease and to cardiac surgery is based on such autopsy reports," Dr. Freiman says.

Dr. Freiman and his staff devote much time to undergraduate teaching at the Harvard Medical School where Pathology is a major second year course. Dr. Freiman is Professor of Pathology at Harvard.

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Rodger Daniels Named to Head Fiscal Services

Rodger L. Daniels has been promoted to the position of Director of Fiscal Services, according to Dr. Sidney S. Lee, General Director. He replaces S. David Kaufman who had been serving in a part-time capacity for the past two years. Mr. Daniels was formerly Comptroller of the Hospital.

Mr. Daniels came to Beth Israel early last year. He had previously served as Comptroller at St. Luke's Hospital in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania for ten years.

Profile of A Trustee

Service to community and country keynote the life of Boston-born Colonel Bernard L. Gorfinkle, a Trustee of Beth Israel for many years and now an Honorary Trustee. He continues to be active on the Personnel Practices Committee.

Colonel Gorfinkle has interrupted his legal practice frequently for military duty: first to serve in the cavalry under General John J. Pershing at the Mexican Border in 1916; again to volunteer for World War I; later as Supervisor of the War Manpower Commission for New England in World War II.

He participated in seven major battles with the 26th Yankee Division in World War I; was promoted from 2nd Lieutenant to Captain on the battlefield and was wounded twice at Verdun. Decorated by our own and



Col. Bernard L. Gorfinkle

the French government, he was also knighted by the King of Belgium.

After the Armistice, he was assigned to the American Peace Commission as Secretary and Aide to Bernard M. Baruch, and was bodyguard to President Woodrow Wilson at the signing of the Peace Treaty.

Upon his return to this country, he renewed his interest in community affairs and organized and also headed numerous groups. Among these are the Newton Squash and Tennis Club, the New Century Club, the Newton Civic Society, Newton JWV and many others.

He was the first secretary of Brandeis Associates and is now an Honorary Director; and is active as a trustee of the Hebrew Home for the Aged.

The Colonel and his wife, Frieda, have contributed generously to B.I.'s growth. In addition to a room at Beth Israel, they have established funds for research and education at the Hospital.

Cell Growth Study Dr. Hiatt's Concern

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nership with the other Services of our Hospital will, I am certain, bring great satisfaction to all of us who are associated with the Beth Israel Hospital."

Commenting on Dr. Hiatt's appointment, Hospital President Isidor Slotnik said, "In the short period of time since Dr. Hiatt completed his internship and residency at Beth Israel in 1950, his work has made him known both here and abroad. Though only 37, he has gained the high regard of his associates as a perceptive physician, diligent researcher and skilled teacher."

Born in Patchogue, New York, Dr. Hiatt moved to Worcester at an early age. He is a cum laude graduate of the Harvard Medical School. Before joining B.I. and Harvard in 1955, he was Research Fellow in Medicine at New York Hospital and Cornell Medical College. He also was a



Dr. Alexander

commissioned officer in the U.S. Public Health Service.

Prior to his latest appointment, he had been Assistant Professor of Medicine at Harvard and Physician to the Tumor Clinic at the Hospital. He is also Chairman of the Research Committee.

At Harvard, he has been an American Cancer Society Scholar in Cancer Research and in 1959 was selected to receive a Lederle Medical Faculty Award as one of the nation's promising young medical scientists.

Dr. Hiatt lives in Brookline with his wife, the former Doris Bieringer, and three children: Jonathan, 14, Deborah, 12 and Frederick, 7.

Offer Course For Expectant Parents

The Obstetrics-Gynecology Service is sponsoring a new series of classes for expectant parents.

The courses, which began in February, run consecutively for a six week period, and are being taught by Bernice Savitt, R.N., Coordinator of the Parent Education Program.

An attractive folder publicizing the program has been prepared and is available at the Public Relations office.

Pathology

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With the aim of providing a better understanding of the nature of cancer than is now possible, the Pathology Research Unit is engaged in studies of enzymes in normal and cancerous cells, of cancer of the stomach, and of the mode of development of cancers of the liver. It is also involved in studies of thrombosis and embolism in man and in research on staphylococcal infections.

Miss Wilda Routhier has been appointed Assistant Supervisor, Nursing In-Service Education and Mr. William C. Nellis is new Administrative Assistant in the Nursing Division. Mr. Gilbert C. Guy has moved from the latter post to that of Administrative Assistant in the Personnel Division.

Five Fill Key Posts

Administrative appointments bring three new staff members to Beth Israel, the transfer of another and the return of a former staff nurse, according to Dr. Sidney S. Lee, General Director.



Edward J. Hanley



Miss K. Sheahan

In House Services, Mr. Edward J. Hanley has been named Assistant Executive Housekeeper. Miss Kathleen A. Sheahan is the new Medical Librarian.



William C. Nellis



Miss W. Routhier

What's Going On?

Reporters

Mrs. Deani Hamburg, Clinical Services; Mrs. Sally M. Goldstein, Fiscal; Kalla Freiberg, House Services; Mrs. Sonya Rosenberg, Nursing; Elaine Israel, OPD; Donna Russo, Personnel; and Frances Cochios, Yamins.

HOUSE SERVICES

Welcome to our new personnel Mrs. Olive Hamilton (Housekeeping), Mrs. Jean Kelly (Purchasing), and John Gallahue (Maintenance).

Best wishes to Sheila Freedman (Admitting) who became Mrs. Richard Pinn in November.

Congratulations to Mrs. Ursel Jones (Dietary) on the birth of her baby daughter, who weighed in at 9 lbs. 13 oz.

William Day (Housekeeping) sang the role of the Reverend John Hale in a highly successful production of *The Crucible* presented by the New England Conservatory last month.

FISCAL

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Ellie Tessel and Christine Curran. We are all looking forward to your return.

CLINICAL SERVICES

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Jerome Sutherland on the birth of their first child, Jason Donald; and to Dr. and Mrs. (Dr. Elaine Liberstein) Bertram Pitt on the birth of their first, also a boy.

Best wishes to Ruth Leibowitz (Pathology), who became Mrs. Louis Stern on December 24th.

OPD

Welcome to our new personnel: Mrs. Marie Nicholls, new OPD Clinic Clerk; Mrs. Marcella Bickoff, Admitting Office; Diane Irvine, Clinic Nurse; and Pauline MacVarish, Psychiatry.

Congratulations to Dr. Malkah Tolpin Notman and

also to Dr. Bernard Levine on the birth of their daughters.

NURSING

A cordial welcome to newcomers on our staff: Linda Lafferty, Kathleen Smyth, Elizabeth Barrett, Remedios Cardero and Naomi Zack.

We are eagerly awaiting the return of Helen Sawitsky, who is recovering from recent illness.

Our nursing students are presenting a variety program of entertainment for the patients at the Jewish Recuperative Center on April 1st — Good Show!

YAMINS

Best wishes to Jane Cranney who became Mrs. John Rodney Ream, Jr., in December.

Congratulations on new arrivals for Mrs. Karen Hubert, her first, a daughter; Dr. Liberto Pechet, a third girl, Eleanor Cecile; and Dr. Mario Inchiosa, a second child, Mario Emil.

A warm welcome to Bernice Stein who has returned to work with Dr. Howard H. Hiatt.

PERSONNEL

Ann R. Leven, a Harvard-Radcliffe student, is spending six weeks here as part of the training and experience in the Program in Business Administration.

Mrs. William (Ann) Hatch has come back on a part-time basis after a three-month stay at home with her lovely new daughter, Karen Lynne — glad to have you back, Ann.

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